4-1042-

A PERSON MAY NOT CATCH OR LAND A QUANTITY OF SURF CLAMS IF, PER BUSHEL, MORE THAN 10 FERCENT OF THE CLAMS MEASURE LESS THAN 4.5 INCHES ALONG THE LONGEST AXIS OF THE SHELL.

4-1043-

FOR MANAGEMENT PURPOSES, THE DEPARTMENT MAY OPEN AND CLOSE AREAS FOR HARVESTING OF SURF CIAMS. THE DEPARTMENT SHALL PUBLISH A NOTICE OF ITS PROFOSAL TO OPEN OR CLOSE AN AREA AT LEAST 30 DAYS BEFORE THE EFFECTIVE DATE OF THE PROPOSAL AND SHALL HOLD A PUBLIC HEARING ON THE PROPOSAL AT LEAST 15 DAYS BEFORE THE EFFECTIVE DATE. THE NOTICE SHALL INCLUDE THE TIME AND PLACE OF THE HEARING AND SHALL BE PUBLISHED IN AT LEAST ONE NEWSPAPER OF GENERAL CIRCULATION IN THE STATE AND AT LEAST ONE NEWSPAPER OF GENERAL CIRCULATION IN WORCHESTER CCUNTY.

SECTION 4. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect July 1, 1977.

Approved May 17, 1977.

CHAPTER 437

(House Bill 490)

AN ACT concerning

Bureau of Mines - Director

FOR the purpose of modifying—the—previsions—for appointment—of—the Director—of—the—Bureau—of—Mines; deleting—certain—experience—requirements—providing for the appointment, qualifications, and duties of the Director of the Bureau—of—Mines; relating to certain provisions regarding conflicts of interest; and deleting provisions relating to cath of office and to reports and payment of expenses.

By repealing and reenacting, with a mendments

Article - Natural Resources Section 7-202 Annotated Code of Maryland (1974 Volume and 1976 Supplement)

BY adding to

Article - Natural Resources